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New Saltwater Fishing Regulations Book Now Available

BILOXI, Miss. – The 2006-2007 edition of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources' free booklet, "A Guide to Mississippi Saltwater Fishing Rules and Regulations," is now available at the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) office located at 1141 Bayview Ave., Biloxi. The guide incorporates new and revised saltwater fishing regulations for the state of Mississippi.

Copies of the guide will be handed out to all attendees at the 58th Annual Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo at the Harrison County Fairgrounds, 15321 County Farm Road, Gulfport on July 1-4, 2006.

The 32-page fishing regulations book includes information on commercial and recreational saltwater fishing, license requirements, size and possession limits, descriptions of fish, and covers topics such as catch and release, protected species, marine litter and a new section on invasive species. The guide includes the original artwork of Joe Jewell, a member of the DMR's Office of Marine Fisheries staff. Jewell has provided illustrations for the fishing regulations book since 1999.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the State by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at www.dmr.state.ms.us

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